



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
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October 5, 2005

Christopher J. Ward, Treasurer  
National Republican Congressional Committee  
320 First Street  
Washington, DC 20003

**Response Due Date:**  
**November 4, 2005**

Identification Number: C00075820

Reference: June Monthly Report (5/01/05-5/31/05)

Dear Mr. Ward:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **An adequate response must be received at the Commission by the response date noted above.** An itemization of the information needed follows:

-Schedule A of your report (see attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(f) and 11 CFR §110.1(c) prohibit a political committee which is established and maintained by a national political party, and any affiliated committees, from accepting contributions from a person or non-multicandidate political committee in excess of \$26,700 in a calendar year.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with the clarifying information.

If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount. The funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt; (1) the excessive amount was properly reattributed to another person, such as a joint account holder, by obtaining signed written authorizations from each person making the contribution pursuant to 11 CFR 110.1(k)(3), and (2) the treasurer informs the person making the contribution that he or she may request the return of the excessive portion of the contribution if it is not intended to be a joint contribution. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

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Alternatively, the funds can be retained if within 60 days of receipt you (1) transferred the excessive amount to an account not used to influence federal elections, and (2) provided written notice to the person making the contribution of the option of receiving a refund. Any request from a donor for a refund must be honored.

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or transfers to a non-federal account were not met within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount must be refunded.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out or refund. In addition, any reattributions should be reported as memo entries on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which the authorization for the reattribution is received. Any transfers-out or refunds should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 or 28 of the report covering the period during which the transaction was made.

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of an excessive contribution(s), prompt action by your committee to seek reattribution, transfer-out or refund the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

-Schedule A of your report discloses contributions from political committees that fail to include a full and/or recognizable name. Reporting only the name of the connected organization, abbreviating the name of the committee so it is unrecognizable, or using an indistinguishable acronym is inadequate. The following committee names from your report need further clarification: "Autozoners For Better Government," "Nacds Political Action Committee," "A Z Pac," "Lee P A C," and "Boilermakers - Blacksmiths Leg. Ed..fund."

Please amend your report to include the missing information. 11 CFR §§100.12, 102.14(c) and 104.3(a)(4)(ii)

-Schedule A supporting Line(s) 11(c) and 15 of your report discloses a receipt(s) from "Re-elect Nancy Johnson To Congress Committee," "Mike Bilirakis For Congress," "Bachus Reelection," "Hobson For Congress," "Henry J. Hyde For Congress Committee," "Mc Crery For Congress," "Dreier For Congress Committee," "Lewis For Congress Committee," "Wally Herger For Congress Committee," "John Shadegg's Friends," "Tiahrt For Congress," "Friends Of Roger Wicker," "Sue Myrick For Congress," "Thornberry For Congress," "Lobiondo For Congress," "Ron Lewis For Congress," "Friends Of Mark Foley," "Committee To Re-

elect Ron Paul," "Cantor For Congress," "Putnam For Congress," "Henry E. Brown For Congress," "Rogers For Congress," "People For Platts Committee," "Barrett For Congress Committee," "Jo Bonner For Congress Committee," "Porter For Congress," "Rick Renzi For Congress," "Streusand For Congress," "Kuhl For Congress," and "FRIENDS OF JOHN HOSTETTLER" which requires further clarification. For example, if this activity represents a transfer of funds, please indicate "transfer" on Schedule A supporting Line 11(c) of your report. If this activity represents a reimbursement for services provided to this committee, please indicate this on Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report. Please amend your report to clarify the type of activity this receipt(s) represents.

-Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report discloses an offset to an operating expenditure(s) totaling \$2,114.96 from "HOUSE CONSERVATIVES FUND," "MILEAD FUND," "THE BADGER FUND," "MIKE R FUND," "POTOMAC LIST COMPANY INC.," "WYATT B. SMITH," and "NEXTAR BROADCASTING"; however, your report(s) does not appear to disclose a disbursement to this entity. Please provide clarifying information regarding this activity and amend your report(s) if necessary.

-Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line(s) 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Adjunct Staff" and "Non-Candidate Production." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).

-Schedule B of your report discloses reimbursements to individuals for "Printing." Please be advised that when itemizing reimbursements to individuals for goods or services, if the payment to the original vendor aggregates in excess of \$200 in a calendar year, a memo entry including the name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and purpose of the original purchase must be provided. Please amend your report to include the missing information. If itemization is not necessary, you must indicate so in an amendment to this report. 11 CFR §§104.3(b)(3)(i) and 104.9, and Advisory Opinions 1992-1 and 1996-20, footnote 3

-Please clarify all expenditures made for "Catering Costs," "Mailing Service," "Phone Banks," "Postage," "Printing," and "Thank You Postage & Production" on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E, or F supporting Lines 23,

24, or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1

-Please identify the name and address of the payee for the in-kind contribution(s) disclosed on Schedule B for Line 23.

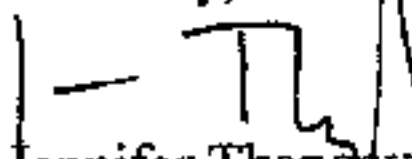
-You have received contributions from numerous entities, which appear to be unincorporated proprietorships or partnerships. Generally, these types of contributions are to be attributed to each person based on their percentage of ownership in the firm. Each person who has contributed in excess of \$200 since January 1 should be identified by name, address, occupation, name of employer, amount of contribution, and aggregate total on Schedule A. 11 CFR §110.1(e) Please amend your report by providing the omitted information.

-Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Refunds of contributions to individuals should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 28(a) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions for each line when determining the proper categorization(s) for your next filing.

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Unlike previous election cycles, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.** Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1143.

Sincerely,

  
Jennifer Thangavelu  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

| Contributor Name          | Date     | Amount      | Report   |
|---------------------------|----------|-------------|--|
| Mr. Charles Matheny       | 05/19/05 | \$12,500.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
| Mr. Charles Matheny       | 05/27/05 | \$12,500.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
| Mr. Charles Matheny       | 05/27/05 | \$5,000.00  | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
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| Mr. Vance R. Moore, Jr.   | 01/10/05 | \$2,500.00  | Amended 2005 February<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05 |
| Mr. Vance R. Moore, Jr.   | 02/10/05 | \$2,500.00  | Amended 2005 March<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05    |
| Mr. Vance R. Moore, Jr.   | 03/14/05 | \$2,500.00  | Amended 2005 March<br>Monthly, received 8/15/05    |
| Mr. Vance R. Moore, Jr.   | 05/19/05 | \$20,000.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
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| Ms. Nancy Pham-Dinh       | 02/18/05 | \$500.00    | Amended 2005 March<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05    |
| Ms. Nancy Pham-Dinh       | 02/18/05 | \$5,000.00  | Amended 2005 March<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05    |
| Ms. Nancy Pham-Dinh       | 05/19/05 | \$25,000.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
|                           |          |             |  |
| Mr. Daniel P. Rice        | 01/11/05 | \$20,000.00 | Amended 2005 February<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05 |
| Mr. Daniel P. Rice        | 05/31/05 | \$25,000.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |
|                           |          |             |  |
| Mr. Leonard G. Strickland | 01/10/05 | \$10,000.00 | Amended 2005 February<br>Monthly, received 8/24/05 |
| Mr. Leonard G. Strickland | 05/05/05 | \$25,000.00 | 2005 June Monthly                                  |

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